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Hello we are still waiting for help from EPA where is Region 10 and Ms. McCarthy new EPA administrator we need positive action to clean up FMC not cover it up is a huge hazardous Waste. Please we need help For our Mother Earth With True Justice to hold the corporates to be held accountable ACTION ASAP! Fort Hall Indian Reservation R10

Sent from my iPhone

FMC MOVING BACKWARD

Since 1990, the FMC site has been one of the most dangerous superfund sites in the United States. For nearly 25 years, FMC and EPA negotiated whether to cover up the deadly waste or remove it. FMC won and finally convinced EPA to allow them to cover it up. There are 1,500 acres and at most after remediation only 10% will be eligible for re-use, the other 1,350 acres will be off limits for any use according to EPA for at least 10,000 years.

Groundwater

As you read this, arsenic and other contaminants from the FMC site are entering the Portneuf River at levels exceeding the safe drinking water standards. FMC and EPA's answer to the groundwater contamination is to install 4 or 5 wells and pump 500 gallons per minute - in an effort from this water reaching the Portneuf River. Not all the water is going to the Portneuf River will be pumped. The water will either be put in another pond FMC wants to construct, and allowed to percolate through the soils to try and flush the contaminants through or, piped to the Pocatello sewage treatment plant.

Gas

There are 12 covered ponds over approximately 100 acres containing toxic chemicals. When FMC covered them, they did not anticipate these deadly gases (phosphine, hydrogen sulfide, and hydrogen cyanide) would be generated at these current dangerous levels. Ponds 15S, 16S, 17, 18A are actively generating gases with gas extraction systems in place or ready to go.

Soil

It has been estimated that somewhere between 5,000 to 16,000 tons of reactive and ignitable elemental phosphorous in the soil at the FMC site not counting the phosphorus associated with their ponds or buried railcars. There is almost a million tons of contaminated soil. This chemical is dangerous and is being left in place, not cleaned up. When phosphate contacts oxygen it reacts and ignites.

Slag Pile

FMC and EPA say it's too much of a challenge to dig out the 21 railcars full of waste buried in the pile. But, FMC will be moving 100,000,000 (that's 100 million) cubic yards of the slag around to re-grade the site. Once FMC uses the material, they will throw 12 to 18 inches of soil on the slag and call it good. Do you think this is cleanup?

Bottom line: We ask you what company would relocate to one of the nation's worst superfund sites with deadly contamination left in place?

Now you know. If you want to know more call Kevin Rochlin, FMC Site Manager for EPA (rochlin.kevin@epa.gov) (206) 553-2106, or 800-424-4372.